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## SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5676

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By Senate Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Senators Fraser and Kohl)

Read first time 02/02/96.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to restrictions on residential time and visitation
- 2 for abusive parents; and amending RCW 26.09.191 and 26.10.160.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 26.09.191 and 1994 c 267 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
- 6 (1) The permanent parenting plan shall not require mutual decision-
- 7 making or designation of a dispute resolution process other than court
- 8 action if it is found that a parent has engaged in any of the following
- 9 conduct: (a) Willful abandonment that continues for an extended period
- 10 of time or substantial refusal to perform parenting functions; (b)
- 11 physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of a child; or (c) a
- 12 history of acts of domestic violence as defined in RCW 26.50.010(1) or
- 13 an assault or sexual assault which causes grievous bodily harm or the
- 14 fear of such harm.
- 15 (2)(a) The parent's residential time with the child shall be
- 16 limited if it is found that the parent has engaged in any of the
- 17 following conduct: (i) Willful abandonment that continues for an
- 18 extended period of time or substantial refusal to perform parenting
- 19 functions; (ii) physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of a

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- 1 child; ((or)) (iii) a history of acts of domestic violence as defined
- 2 in RCW 26.50.010(1) or an assault or sexual assault which causes
- 3 grievous bodily harm or the fear of such harm; or (iv) the parent has
- 4 been convicted as an adult of a sex offense under:
- 5 (A) RCW 9A.44.076 if, because of the age of the offender, no rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this subsection;
- 7 (B) RCW 9A.44.079 if, because of the age of the offender, no 8 rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this subsection;
- 9 (C) RCW 9A.44.086 if, because of the age of the offender, no rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this subsection;
- 11 (D) RCW 9A.44.089;
- 12 (E) RCW 9A.44.093;
- (F) RCW 9A.44.096;
- 14 (G) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2) if, because of the age of the
- 15 <u>offender</u>, no rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this
- 16 <u>subsection;</u>
- 17 <u>(H) Chapter 9.68A RCW;</u>
- 18 <u>(I) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed</u>
- 19 in (a)(iv)(A) through (H) of this subsection;
- 20 (J) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an
- 21 offense analogous to the offenses listed in (a)(iv)(A) through (H) of
- 22 this subsection.
- This subsection (2)(a) shall not apply when (c) or (d) of this subsection applies.
- 25 (b) The parent's residential time with the child shall be limited
- 26 if it is found that the parent resides with a person who has engaged in
- 27 any of the following conduct: (i) Physical, sexual, or a pattern of
- 28 emotional abuse of a child; ((or)) (ii) a history of acts of domestic
- 29 violence as defined in RCW 26.50.010(1) or an assault or sexual assault
- 30 that causes grievous bodily harm or the fear of such harm; or (iii) the
- 31 person has been convicted as an adult or as a juvenile has been
- 32 <u>adjudicated of a sex offense under:</u>
- 33 (A) RCW 9A.44.076 if, because of the age of the offender, no
- 34 <u>rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this subsection;</u>
- 35 (B) RCW 9A.44.079 if, because of the age of the offender, no
- 36 rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this subsection;
- 37 (C) RCW 9A.44.086 if, because of the age of the offender, no
- 38 rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this subsection;
- 39 (D) RCW 9A.44.089;

- 1 (E) RCW 9A.44.093;
- 2 <u>(F) RCW 9A.44.096;</u>
- 3 (G) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2) if, because of the age of the
- 4 offender, no rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this
- 5 <u>subsection;</u>
- 6 (H) Chapter 9.68A RCW;
- 7 (I) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed
- 8 in (b)(iii)(A) through (H) of this subsection;
- 9 (J) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an
- 10 offense analogous to the offenses listed in (b)(iii)(A) through (H) of
- 11 this subsection.
- 12 This subsection (2)(b) shall not apply when (c) or (e) of this
- 13 subsection applies.
- 14 (c) If a parent has been ((convicted as an adult of a sexual
- 15 offense under RCW 9A.64.020 or chapter 9.68A or 9A.44 RCW, or has
- 16 been)) found to be a sexual predator under chapter 71.09 RCW or under
- 17 <u>an analogous statute of any other jurisdiction</u>, the court shall
- 18 restrain the parent from contact with a child that would otherwise be
- 19 allowed under this chapter. If a parent resides with an adult or a
- 20 <u>juvenile</u> who has been ((<del>convicted, or with a juvenile who has been</del>
- 21 adjudicated, of a sexual offense under RCW 9A.64.020 or chapter 9.68A
- 22 or 9A.44 RCW, or who has been)) found to be a sexual predator under
- 23 chapter 71.09 RCW or under an analogous statute of any other
- 24 jurisdiction, the court shall restrain the parent from contact with the
- 25 parent's child except contact that occurs outside that person's
- 26 presence.
- 27 (d) There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent who has been
- 28 convicted as an adult of a sex offense listed in (d)(i) through (ix) of
- 29 this subsection poses a present danger to a child. Unless the parent
- 30 rebuts this presumption, the court shall restrain the parent from
- 31 contact with a child that would otherwise be allowed under this
- 32 <u>chapter:</u>
- 33 (i) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2), provided that the person convicted
- 34 was at least five years older than the other person;
- 35 (ii) RCW 9A.44.073;
- 36 (iii) RCW 9A.44.076, provided that the person convicted was at
- 37 <u>least eight years older than the victim;</u>
- 38 (iv) RCW 9A.44.079, provided that the person convicted was at least
- 39 eight years older than the victim;

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- 1 (v) RCW 9A.44.083;
- 2 (vi) RCW 9A.44.086, provided that the person convicted was at least
- 3 eight years older than the victim;
- 4 (vii) RCW 9A.44.100;
- 5 (viii) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses
- 6 <u>listed in (d)(i) through (vii) of this subsection;</u>
- 7 (ix) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an
- 8 offense analogous to the offenses listed in (d)(i) through (vii) of
- 9 this subsection.
- 10 (e) There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent who resides
- 11 with a person who, as an adult, has been convicted, or as a juvenile
- 12 has been adjudicated, of the sex offenses listed in (e)(i) through (ix)
- 13 of this subsection places a child at risk of abuse or harm when that
- 14 parent exercises residential time in the presence of the convicted or
- 15 adjudicated person. Unless the parent rebuts the presumption, the
- 16 court shall restrain the parent from contact with the parent's child
- 17 except for contact that occurs outside of the convicted or adjudicated
- 18 person's presence:
- 19 (i) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2), provided that the person convicted
- 20 was at least five years older than the other person;
- 21 (ii) RCW 9A.44.073;
- 22 (iii) RCW 9A.44.076, provided that the person convicted was at
- 23 <u>least eight years older than the victim;</u>
- 24 (iv) RCW 9A.44.079, provided that the person convicted was at least
- 25 eight years older than the victim;
- 26 <u>(v) RCW 9A.44.083;</u>
- 27 (vi) RCW 9A.44.086, provided that the person convicted was at least
- 28 eight years older than the victim;
- 29 (vii) RCW 9A.44.100;
- 30 (viii) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses
- 31 <u>listed in (e)(i) through (vii) of this subsection;</u>
- 32 (ix) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an
- 33 offense analogous to the offenses listed in (e)(i) through (vii) of
- 34 this subsection.
- 35 <u>(f) The presumption established in (d) of this subsection may be</u>
- 36 <u>rebutted only after a written finding that:</u>
- 37 (i) If the child was not sexually abused by the parent requesting
- 38 residential time, (A) contact between the child and the offending
- 39 parent is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, and (B) the

offending parent has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child; or

 (ii) If the child was sexually abused by the parent requesting residential time, (A) if the child is in or has been in therapy for victims of sexual abuse, the child's counselor believes such contact between the child and the offending parent is in the child's best interest, and (B) the offending parent has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child.

(g) The presumption established in (e) of this subsection may be rebutted only after a written finding that:

(i) If the child was not sexually abused by the person who is residing with the parent requesting residential time and who, as an adult, has been convicted, or as a juvenile has been adjudicated, of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection, (A) contact between the child and the parent residing with the convicted or adjudicated person is appropriate and that parent is able to protect the child in the presence of the convicted or adjudicated person, and (B) the convicted or adjudicated person has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child; or

(ii) If the child was sexually abused by the person who is residing with the parent requesting residential time and who, as an adult, has been convicted, or as a juvenile has been adjudicated, of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection, (A) if the child is in or has been in therapy for victims of sexual abuse, the child's counselor believes such contact between the child and the parent residing with the convicted or adjudicated person in the presence of the convicted or adjudicated person has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes contact between the parent and child in the presence

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of the convicted or adjudicated person is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child.

(h) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of rebutting the presumption, the court may allow a parent who has been convicted as an adult of a sex offense listed in (d)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have residential time with the child supervised by a neutral and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of such residential time. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing or capable of protecting the child.

(i) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of rebutting the presumption, the court may allow a parent residing with a juvenile who has been adjudicated of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have residential time with the child in the presence of the adjudicated juvenile supervised by a neutral and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of such residential time. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing or capable of protecting the child.

(j) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of rebutting the presumption, the court may allow a parent residing with a person who, as an adult, has been convicted of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have residential time with the child in the presence of the convicted person supervised by a neutral and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of such residential time. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence,

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1 that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer
2 willing or capable of protecting the child.

(k) A court shall not order unsupervised contact between the 3 4 offending parent and a child, stepchild, or adopted child of the offending parent who was sexually abused by that parent. A court may 5 order unsupervised contact between the offending parent and a child who 6 7 was not sexually abused by the parent after the presumption has been 8 rebutted and supervised residential time has occurred for at least one 9 year with no further arrests or convictions of sex offenses involving children under chapter 9A.44 RCW, RCW 9A.64.020, or chapter 9.68A RCW 10 and (i) the sex offense of the offending parent was not committed 11 12 against a child, stepchild, or adopted child of the offending parent, and (ii) the court finds that unsupervised contact between the child 13 14 and the offending parent is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the 15 child, after consideration of the testimony of a state-certified therapist, mental health counselor, or social worker with expertise in 16 treating child sexual abuse victims who has supervised at least one 17 18 period of residential time between the parent and the child, and after 19 consideration of evidence of the offending parent's compliance with community supervision requirements, if any. If the offending parent 20 was not ordered by a court to participate in treatment for sex 21 offenders, then the parent shall obtain a psychosexual evaluation 22 conducted by a state-certified sex offender treatment provider 23 24 indicating that the offender has the lowest likelihood of risk to reoffend before the court grants unsupervised contact between the 25 26 parent and a child.

(1) A court may order unsupervised contact between the parent and a child which may occur in the presence of a juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense who resides with the parent after the presumption has been rebutted and supervised residential time has occurred for at least one year during which time the juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense has had no further arrests or convictions of sex offenses involving children under chapter 9A.44 RCW, RCW 9A.64.020, or chapter 9.68A RCW, and (i) the court finds that unsupervised contact between the child and the parent that may occur in the presence of the juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, after consideration of the testimony of a state-certified therapist, mental health counselor, or social worker with expertise in treatment of child sexual abuse victims who has supervised at least one period of

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residential time between the parent and the child in the presence of the juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense, and after consideration of evidence of the adjudicated juvenile's compliance with probation or parole requirements, if any. If the juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense was not ordered by a court to participate in treatment for sex offenders, then the adjudicated juvenile shall obtain a psychosexual evaluation conducted by a state-certified sex offender treatment provider indicating that the offender has the lowest likelihood of risk to reoffend before the court grants unsupervised contact between the parent and a child which may occur in the presence of a juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense who is residing with the parent. 

(m)(i) The limitations imposed by the court under (a) or (b) of this subsection shall be reasonably calculated to protect the child from the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or harm that could result if the child has contact with the parent requesting residential time. If the court expressly finds based on the evidence that limitations on the residential time with the child will not adequately protect the child from the harm or abuse that could result if the child has contact with the parent requesting residential time, the court shall restrain the parent requesting residential time from all contact with the child.

(ii) The court shall not enter an order under (a) of this subsection allowing a parent to have contact with a child if the parent has been found by clear and convincing evidence in a civil action or by a preponderance of the evidence in a dependency action to have sexually abused the child, except upon recommendation by an evaluator or therapist for the child that the child is ready for contact with the parent and will not be harmed by the contact. The court shall not enter an order allowing a parent to have contact with the child in the offender's presence if the parent resides with a person who has been found by clear and convincing evidence in a civil action or by a preponderance of the evidence in a dependency action to have sexually abused a child, unless the court finds that the parent accepts that the person engaged in the harmful conduct and the parent is willing to and capable of protecting the child from harm from the person.

(iii) If the court limits residential time under (a) or (b) of this subsection to require supervised contact between the child and the parent, the court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between a child and a parent who has engaged in physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of the child unless the court finds based upon the

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evidence that the supervisor accepts that the harmful conduct occurred 1 2 and is willing to and capable of protecting the child from harm. court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or 4 is no longer willing to or capable of protecting the child.

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- $((\frac{(e)}{n}))$  (n) If the court expressly finds based on the evidence that 6 7 contact between the parent and the child will not cause physical, 8 sexual, or emotional abuse or harm to the child and that the probability that the parent's or other person's harmful or abusive 9 10 conduct will recur is so remote that it would not be in the child's best interests to apply the limitations of (a), (b), and  $((\frac{d}{d}))$  (m)11 and (iii) of this subsection, or if the court expressly finds that the 12 parent's conduct did not have an impact on the child, then the court 13 need not apply the limitations of (a), (b), and  $((\frac{d}{d}))$  (m)(i) and 14 15 (iii) of this subsection. The weight given to the existence of a protection order issued under chapter 26.50 RCW as to domestic violence 16 is within the discretion of the court. This subsection shall not apply 17 when (c) ((and (d)(ii))), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), 18 19 and (m)(ii) of this subsection apply.
- 20 (3) A parent's involvement or conduct may have an adverse effect on the child's best interests, and the court may preclude or limit any 21 provisions of the parenting plan, if any of the following factors 22 23 exist:
- 24 (a) A parent's neglect or substantial nonperformance of parenting 25 functions;
- 26 (b) A long-term emotional or physical impairment which interferes 27 with the parent's performance of parenting functions as defined in RCW 26.09.004; 28
- 29 (c) A long-term impairment resulting from drug, alcohol, or other 30 substance abuse that interferes with the performance of parenting functions; 31
- (d) The absence or substantial impairment of emotional ties between 32 33 the parent and the child;
- 34 (e) The abusive use of conflict by the parent which creates the 35 danger of serious damage to the child's psychological development;
- (f) A parent has withheld from the other parent access to the child 36 for a protracted period without good cause; or 37
- (g) Such other factors or conduct as the court expressly finds 38 adverse to the best interests of the child. 39

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- 1 (4) In entering a permanent parenting plan, the court shall not
- 2 draw any presumptions from the provisions of the temporary parenting
- 3 plan.
- 4 (5) In determining whether any of the conduct described in this
- 5 section has occurred, the court shall apply the civil rules of
- 6 evidence, proof, and procedure.
- 7 **Sec. 2.** RCW 26.10.160 and 1994 c 267 s 2 are each amended to read
- 8 as follows:
- 9 (1) A parent not granted custody of the child is entitled to
- 10 reasonable visitation rights except as provided in subsection (2) of
- 11 this section.
- 12 (2)(a) Visitation with the child shall be limited if it is found
- 13 that the parent seeking visitation has engaged in any of the following
- 14 conduct: (i) Willful abandonment that continues for an extended period
- 15 of time or substantial refusal to perform parenting functions; (ii)
- 16 physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of a child; ((or))
- 17 (iii) a history of acts of domestic violence as defined in RCW
- 18 26.50.010(1) or an assault or sexual assault which causes grievous
- 19 bodily harm or the fear of such harm; or (iv) the parent has been
- 20 convicted as an adult of a sex offense under:
- 21 (A) RCW 9A.44.076 if, because of the age of the offender, no
- 22 rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this subsection;
- 23 (B) RCW 9A.44.079 if, because of the age of the offender, no
- 24 rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this subsection;
- 25 (C) RCW 9A.44.086 if, because of the age of the offender, no
- 26 rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this subsection;
- 27 (D) RCW 9A.44.089;
- 28 <u>(E) RCW 9A.44.093;</u>
- 29 <u>(F) RCW 9A.44.096;</u>
- 30 (G) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2) if, because of the age of the
- 31 offender, no rebuttable presumption exists under (d) of this
- 32 <u>subsection;</u>
- 33 (H) Chapter 9.68A RCW;
- 34 (I) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed
- 35 in (a)(iv)(A) through (H) of this subsection;
- 36 (J) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an
- 37 offense analogous to the offenses listed in (a)(iv)(A) through (H) of
- 38 this subsection.

- This subsection (2)(a) shall not apply when (c) or (d) of this subsection applies.
- 3 (b) The parent's ((residential time)) visitation with the child 4 shall be limited if it is found that the parent resides with a person 5 who has engaged in any of the following conduct: (i) Physical, sexual, 6 or a pattern of emotional abuse of a child; ((er)) (ii) a history of 7 acts of domestic violence as defined in RCW 26.50.010(1) or an assault 8 or sexual assault ((which)) that causes grievous bodily harm or the 9 fear of such harm; or (iii) the person has been convicted as an adult
- 10 or as a juvenile has been adjudicated of a sex offense under:
- 11 (A) RCW 9A.44.076 if, because of the age of the offender, no 12 rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this subsection;
- 13 <u>(B) RCW 9A.44.079 if, because of the age of the offender, no</u>
  14 rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this subsection;
- 15 <u>(C) RCW 9A.44.086 if, because of the age of the offender, no</u> 16 rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this subsection;
- 17 (D) RCW 9A.44.089;
- 18 <u>(E) RCW 9A.44.093;</u>
- 19 <u>(F) RCW 9A.44.096;</u>
- 20 <u>(G) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2) if, because of the age of the</u> 21 <u>offender, no rebuttable presumption exists under (e) of this</u>
- 22 <u>subsection;</u>
- 23 (H) Chapter 9.68A RCW;
- 24 <u>(I) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses listed</u> 25 in (b)(iii)(A) through (H) of this subsection;
- 26 <u>(J) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an</u> 27 <u>offense analogous to the offenses listed in (b)(iii)(A) through (H) of</u> 28 this subsection.
- 29 <u>This subsection (2)(b) shall not apply when (c) or (e) of this</u> 30 <u>subsection applies</u>.
- 31 (c) If a parent has been ((convicted as an adult of a sexual offense under RCW 9A.64.020 or chapter 9.68A or 9A.44 RCW, or has 32 been)) found to be a sexual predator under chapter 71.09 RCW or under 33 34 an analogous statute of any other jurisdiction, the court shall restrain the parent from contact with a child that would otherwise be 35 allowed under this chapter. If a parent resides with an adult or a 36 37 <u>juvenile</u> who has been ((convicted, or with a juvenile who has been adjudicated, of a sexual offense under RCW 9A.64.020 or chapter 9.68A 38 39 or 9A.44 RCW, or who has been)) found to be a sexual predator under

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- 1 chapter 71.09 RCW or under an analogous statute of any other
- 2 jurisdiction, the court shall restrain the parent from contact with the
- 3 parent's child except contact that occurs outside that person's
- 4 presence.
- 5 (d) There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent who has been
- 6 convicted as an adult of a sex offense listed in (d)(i) through (ix) of
- 7 this subsection poses a present danger to a child. Unless the parent
- 8 rebuts this presumption, the court shall restrain the parent from
- 9 contact with a child that would otherwise be allowed under this
- 10 <u>chapter:</u>
- (i) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2), provided that the person convicted
- 12 was at least five years older than the other person;
- 13 (ii) RCW 9A.44.073;
- (iii) RCW 9A.44.076, provided that the person convicted was at
- 15 <u>least eight years older than the victim;</u>
- 16 (iv) RCW 9A.44.079, provided that the person convicted was at least
- 17 eight years older than the victim;
- 18 <u>(v) RCW 9A.44.083;</u>
- 19 (vi) RCW 9A.44.086, provided that the person convicted was at least
- 20 eight years older than the victim;
- 21 (vii) RCW 9A.44.100;
- (viii) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses
- 23 listed in (d)(i) through (vii) of this subsection;
- 24 (ix) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an
- 25 offense analogous to the offenses listed in (d)(i) through (vii) of
- 26 this subsection.
- 27 (e) There is a rebuttable presumption that a parent who resides
- 28 with a person who, as an adult, has been convicted, or as a juvenile
- 29 has been adjudicated, of the sex offenses listed in (e)(i) through (ix)
- 30 of this subsection places a child at risk of abuse or harm when that
- 31 parent exercises visitation in the presence of the convicted or
- 32 adjudicated person. Unless the parent rebuts the presumption, the
- 33 court shall restrain the parent from contact with the parent's child
- 34 except for contact that occurs outside of the convicted or adjudicated
- 35 person's presence:
- 36 (i) RCW 9A.64.020 (1) or (2), provided that the person convicted
- 37 was at least five years older than the other person;
- 38 (ii) RCW 9A.44.073;

- 1 (iii) RCW 9A.44.076, provided that the person convicted was at least eight years older than the victim;
- 3 (iv) RCW 9A.44.079, provided that the person convicted was at least 4 eight years older than the victim;
- 5 <u>(v) RCW 9A.44.083;</u>
- 6 (vi) RCW 9A.44.086, provided that the person convicted was at least 7 eight years older than the victim;
- 8 (vii) RCW 9A.44.100;

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- 9 <u>(viii) Any predecessor or antecedent statute for the offenses</u>
  10 <u>listed in (e)(i) through (vii) of this subsection;</u>
- 11 <u>(ix) Any statute from any other jurisdiction that describes an</u>
  12 <u>offense analogous to the offenses listed in (e)(i) through (vii) of</u>
  13 this subsection.
- 14 <u>(f) The presumption established in (d) of this subsection may be</u> 15 rebutted only after a written finding that:
- (i) If the child was not sexually abused by the parent requesting visitation, (A) contact between the child and the offending parent is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, and (B) the offending parent has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child; or
  - (ii) If the child was sexually abused by the parent requesting visitation, (A) if the child is in or has been in therapy for victims of sexual abuse, the child's counselor believes such contact between the child and the offending parent is in the child's best interest, and (B) the offending parent has successfully engaged in treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child.
- 31 (g) The presumption established in (e) of this subsection may be 32 rebutted only after a written finding that:
- (i) If the child was not sexually abused by the person who is residing with the parent requesting visitation and who, as an adult, has been convicted, or as a juvenile has been adjudicated, of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection, (A) contact between the child and the parent residing with the convicted or adjudicated person is appropriate and that parent is able to protect the child in the presence of the convicted or adjudicated person, and

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- 1 (B) the convicted or adjudicated person has successfully engaged in 2 treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in 3 such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment 4 provider believes such contact is appropriate and poses minimal risk to 5 the child; or
- 6 (ii) If the child was sexually abused by the person who is residing 7 with the parent requesting visitation and who, as an adult, has been 8 convicted, or as a juvenile has been adjudicated, of a sex offense 9 listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection, (A) if the child is in or has been in therapy for victims of sexual abuse, the child's 10 counselor believes such contact between the child and the parent 11 residing with the convicted or adjudicated person in the presence of 12 the convicted or adjudicated person is in the child's best interest, 13 14 and (B) the convicted or adjudicated person has successfully engaged in 15 treatment for sex offenders or is engaged in and making progress in such treatment, if any was ordered by a court, and the treatment 16 provider believes contact between the parent and child in the presence 17 18 of the convicted or adjudicated person is appropriate and poses minimal 19 risk to the child.
  - (h) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of rebutting the presumption, the court may allow a parent who has been convicted as an adult of a sex offense listed in (d)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have visitation with the child supervised by a neutral and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of such visitation. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing or capable of protecting the child.
- (i) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of 32 rebutting the presumption, the court may allow a parent residing with 33 34 a juvenile who has been adjudicated of a sex offense listed in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have visitation with the child in 35 36 the presence of the adjudicated juvenile supervised by a neutral and 37 independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision of 38 such visitation. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for 39 contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based

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- on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing or capable of protecting the child.
- (i) If the court finds that the parent has met the burden of 6 7 rebutting the presumption, the court may allow a parent residing with 8 a person who, as an adult, has been convicted of a sex offense listed 9 in (e)(i) through (ix) of this subsection to have visitation with the child in the presence of the convicted person supervised by a neutral 10 and independent adult and pursuant to an adequate plan for supervision 11 12 of such visitation. The court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between the child and the parent unless the court finds, based 13 14 on the evidence, that the supervisor is willing and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval 15 of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the 16 supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing or 17 18 capable of protecting the child.

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(k) A court shall not order unsupervised contact between the offending parent and a child, stepchild, or adopted child of the offending parent who was sexually abused by that parent. A court may order unsupervised contact between the offending parent and a child who was not sexually abused by the parent after the presumption has been rebutted and supervised visitation has occurred for at least one year with no further arrests or convictions of sex offenses involving children under chapter 9A.44 RCW, RCW 9A.64.020, or chapter 9.68A RCW and (i) the sex offense of the offending parent was not committed against a child, stepchild, or adopted child of the offending parent, and (ii) the court finds that unsupervised contact between the child and the offending parent is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, after consideration of the testimony of a state-certified therapist, mental health counselor, or social worker with expertise in treating child sexual abuse victims who has supervised at least one period of visitation between the parent and the child, and after consideration of evidence of the offending parent's compliance with community supervision requirements, if any. If the offending parent was not ordered by a court to participate in treatment for sex offenders, then the parent shall obtain a psychosexual evaluation conducted by a state-certified sex offender treatment provider

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indicating that the offender has the lowest likelihood of risk to reoffend before the court grants unsupervised contact between the parent and a child.

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4 (1) A court may order unsupervised contact between the parent and a child which may occur in the presence of a juvenile adjudicated of a 5 sex offense who resides with the parent after the presumption has been 6 7 rebutted and supervised visitation has occurred for at least one year 8 during which time the juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense has had no 9 further arrests or convictions of sex offenses involving children under chapter 9A.44 RCW, RCW 9A.64.020, or chapter 9.68A RCW, and (i) the 10 court finds that unsupervised contact between the child and the parent 11 that may occur in the presence of the juvenile adjudicated of a sex 12 offense is appropriate and poses minimal risk to the child, after 13 consideration of the testimony of a state-certified therapist, mental 14 15 health counselor, or social worker with expertise in treatment of child sexual abuse victims who has supervised at least one period of 16 visitation between the parent and the child in the presence of the 17 juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense, and after consideration of 18 19 evidence of the adjudicated juvenile's compliance with probation or parole requirements, if any. If the juvenile adjudicated of a sex 20 offense was not ordered by a court to participate in treatment for sex 21 offenders, then the adjudicated juvenile shall obtain a psychosexual 22 evaluation conducted by a state-certified sex offender treatment 23 24 provider indicating that the offender has the lowest likelihood of risk 25 to reoffend before the court grants unsupervised contact between the 26 parent and a child which may occur in the presence of a juvenile adjudicated of a sex offense who is residing with the parent. 27

(m)(i) The limitations imposed by the court under (a) or (b) of this subsection shall be reasonably calculated to protect the child from the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or harm that could result if the child has contact with the parent requesting visitation. If the court expressly finds based on the evidence that limitations on visitation with the child will not adequately protect the child from the harm or abuse that could result if the child has contact with the parent requesting visitation, the court shall restrain the person seeking visitation from all contact with the child.

(ii) The court shall not enter an order under (a) of this subsection allowing a parent to have contact with a child if the parent has been found by clear and convincing evidence in a civil action or by

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a preponderance of the evidence in a dependency action to have sexually abused the child, except upon recommendation by an evaluator or therapist for the child that the child is ready for contact with the parent and will not be harmed by the contact. The court shall not enter an order allowing a parent to have contact with the child in the offender's presence if the parent resides with a person who has been found by clear and convincing evidence in a civil action or by a preponderance of the evidence in a dependency action to have sexually abused a child, unless the court finds that the parent accepts that the person engaged in the harmful conduct and the parent is willing to and capable of protecting the child from harm from the person. 

 (iii) If the court limits ((residential time)) visitation under (a) or (b) of this subsection to require supervised contact between the child and the parent, the court shall not approve of a supervisor for contact between a child and a parent who has engaged in physical, sexual, or a pattern of emotional abuse of the child unless the court finds based upon the evidence that the supervisor accepts that the harmful conduct occurred and is willing to and capable of protecting the child from harm. The court shall revoke court approval of the supervisor upon finding, based on the evidence, that the supervisor has failed to protect the child or is no longer willing to or capable of protecting the child.

 $((\frac{(+e)}{}))$  (n) If the court expressly finds based on the evidence that contact between the parent and the child will not cause physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or harm to the child and that the probability that the parent's or other person's harmful or abusive conduct will recur is so remote that it would not be in the child's best interests to apply the limitations of (a), (b), and  $((\frac{(+d)}{d}))$  (m) (i) and (iii) of this subsection, or if the court expressly finds  $((\frac{based on the evidence}{d}))$  that the parent's conduct did not have an impact on the child, then the court need not apply the limitations of (a), (b), and  $((\frac{(+d)}{d}))$  (m)(i) and (iii) of this subsection. The weight given to the existence of a protection order issued under chapter 26.50 RCW as to domestic violence is within the discretion of the court. This subsection shall not apply when (c)  $((\frac{and (d)(ii)}{d}))$ , (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (l), and (m)(ii) of this subsection apply.

(3) Any person may petition the court for visitation rights at any time including, but not limited to, custody proceedings. The court may

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- order visitation rights for any person when visitation may serve the best interest of the child whether or not there has been any change of circumstances.
- 4 (4) The court may modify an order granting or denying visitation 5 rights whenever modification would serve the best interests of the 6 child. Modification of a parent's visitation rights shall be subject 7 to the requirements of subsection (2) of this section.

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